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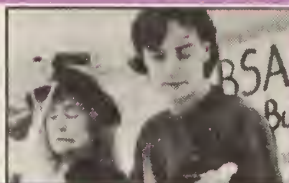


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Murder suspect gives up

By John Cinezan

After being on the run for two weeks, Conestoga College nursing student Rory Foreman turned himself in to police April 13 in Wheat Ridge, Colo., a suburb of Denver.

Foreman, 23, is the prime suspect in the murder of Joan Heimbecker, 25, who was shot at McMaster University in Hamilton March 30.

Shortly after turning himself in, Foreman spoke briefly to news reporters.

"It was about time I came in because I was scared," Foreman told the Denver media.

Foreman also complained to Wheat Ridge police that both Canadian news reports and police have unfairly represented him.

"The press I was getting (in Canada) was pretty bad. When my story comes out it will be the total opposite of what they're saying about me."

Foreman's lawyer and friends, with whom he kept in contact during his flight, are credited with convincing the student to turn himself in.

Hamilton-Wentworth police Det. Chris Abbot, who has been heading the investigation, said the lawyer told Foreman if he didn't turn himself in right away, he wouldn't represent him.

Foreman was traced to Las Vegas, Nev., after he picked up a wired money order for \$800, April 12.

He also had the 1994 Ford Taurus rented in Kitchener the night of the shooting.

Police said they found gift-wrapped champagne, snapshots, boxed lingerie, pictures of the deceased and Foreman's Conestoga Condors' soccer uniform, upon searching the vehicle.

Foreman initially planned to turn himself in April 12, but he wanted another day of freedom, a police spokesman said.

Authorities said Foreman waived his right to fight extradition.

DSA doles out awards at annual banquet

By Sean McMinn

Close to 200 people attended the Doon Student Association (DSA) and Athletics Annual Awards banquet April 14, as fellow athletes and participants were honored.

The ceremony, held in Doon's Blue Cafeteria, included hall of fame inductions, and trophy presentations to the official, intramural team and athlete of the year.

Duane Shadd, introducing the student athletic committee, said, "Intramurals are an important part of student life. There is a group of individuals here tonight who have been responsible for convening our intramural activities."

Teams nominated for the Intramural Team of the Year Award were also introduced. "These teams have participated in various intramural activities and have demonstrated sportsmanship, fair play and the desire to get involved," Shadd said.

The winner was Fopn/Bubba's Pride.

The Official of the Year Award was presented to individuals who have devoted a great amount of their time helping run athletic events. Officials are those who blow the whistles, enforce the rules, and/or keep score, Shadd said.

The 1993-94 Officials of the Year are Paula Sossi, Rick Bridges and Jeff Taves.

The Coaches' Award, presented by Dan Young, is given to athletes who have made outstanding contributions to the team as recognized by the coaching staff.



Robin Butler and Dave Long were named athletes of the year at the April 14 DSA awards banquet. (Photo by Julie Cooper)

Young also presented the Most Valuable Player Award to individuals who are important to the team and have made a significant contribution to its success.

The MVPs were Jenny Vanderzwaag, Robin Butler, Keith Theobald, Dave Long, Penny English and Greg Dane.

Coaches' Awards went to Julie Butt, Tammy Flanagan, Nelson Cabral, Kevin Warner, Kelly Shantz, Nicole Shea and Jason Stolper.

John MacKenzie, introducing the hall of famers, said: "Tonight marks our second induction into our Athletic Hall of Fame. We will induct into three areas: builders, teams and athletes."

Scott Long and Deb Dezwart were inducted in the builders category. Inducted in the team category were the 1989-90 women's softball team and the 1984-85 men's golf team.

Dhana Clements and Guilio Mior were inducted into the athlete category for skills, leadership qualities, dedication and attitude.

Athlete of the Year Awards were presented to Dave Long and Robin Butler, jointly, by college president John Tibbits.

Kurt elected board of governors' new student rep

By Blair Matthews

Conestoga recently added another name to its board of governors but this addition was made by the students themselves.

Jennifer Kurt, current Doon Student Association (DSA) vice-president of administration, was selected the board's student representative in the April 6 elections.

Though Kurt's term doesn't officially begin until September 1994, she said she will begin looking over materials soon in preparation for her position.

The current student representative, Dave Hunt, holds the position until August.

According to Kurt, becoming a nominee for the board position was simple.

"There was a notice on the board... you got one person to nominate you and another to second it, and that was it." Although Kurt didn't receive a vote break-down, she said only 48 students voted at the Doon campus.

Kurt said the main reason the board has a student representative is to allow input from the college student body and that's something she's eager to do.

Jennifer Kurt,
new board of governors
student representative



"I'm only going to be a part-time student next year, and I wanted to stay involved. I couldn't do it through the DSA, so it's a way to keep involved and it gives me something to do."

Kurt said she anticipates the board of governors position will be different than the one she held on the DSA.

"Being on the DSA, everyone is in the same position — we're all students. That's going to be the major difference. It's me for the students rather than a group of students working for the students."

Kurt said that the first month back to school

will just involve, "Picking up the information they're going to pass on to me and what they're working on at the time. From there, maybe combine it from some of the stuff I got out of this year (working with the DSA)."

The main goal Kurt has in mind when she starts in September is to "get the liaison between the board of governors and the DSA to be stronger because it wasn't very strong (this year). They're both there to represent the students, so having them throw ideas back and forth is probably a good thing."

Another issue that concerns Kurt is tuition hikes.

"The decision's been made for the next two years so there's not much that anyone can really do, except prepare for two years down the road."

Until then, Kurt said she is looking forward to keeping involved. "Being on the DSA this year, I had fun and I liked what I was doing — the involvement with stuff on a provincial level and decision-making with the college. It just seemed like a logical step that if I was going to stay involved... to move on to the board of governors."

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Caning is a justifiable punishment

American citizens are in an uproar over the caning of 18-year-old Michael Fay in Singapore.

Fay, who pleaded guilty to \$2,500 worth of vandalism, and will soon receive six lashes with a rattan cane, has already spent four months in jail for his crime.

Some bleeding-hearts argue this is enough: caning will cause bleeding and permanent scarring, they whine.

Some Americans, including former U.S. president George Bush and President Bill Clinton, have begged the Singapore government for clemency.

Correspondent William Safire of the New York Times has suggested that to cane this man is torture, not punishment. Virtually all the Washington-based pundits seem to agree.

Telephone surveys, on shows like A Current Affair, reveal most Americans agree that Fay needs to be punished because he violated the laws of Singapore.

The New York Times, however, on Sunday, April 10, in their lead editorial, Condemn Singapore's Brutality, actually printed a number to call to protest this alleged torture. "It is time for people concerned about Mr. Fay to flood the Singapore embassy with phone calls."

According to the April 13 New York Times, Lee Kuan Yew, former prime minister of Singapore wrote, "The United States dares not restrain or punish its individuals, forgiving them for whatever they have done. That's why the whole country is in chaos. Drugs, violence, unemployment and homelessness — all sorts of problems in its society."

The implication of Lee's argument is that Singapore will not tolerate these problems.

Wednesday's Times editorial, Time to Assert American Values, said "Western countries value the individual above property," arguing that the Fay case is "a chance to challenge an inhumane practise that ought not to exist anywhere."

Radio and television personality Rush Limbaugh said, "If we exported these values to Singapore, they would let this man go, and find the cops who arrested him and try to put them in jail. Everything's out of whack in this society," he continued.

"The wrong people in the U.S. are scared. The people who obey the law are the ones who are scared. Cops are scared because their power is being taken away," Limbaugh said.

Whenever they do act to protect people, they face the possibility of castigation and prosecution.

Meanwhile, the people breaking the law are running around with no fear of capture or punishment.

There's a lesson to be learned from how Singapore runs its affairs, Limbaugh said. We ought to learn it and learn it quickly.

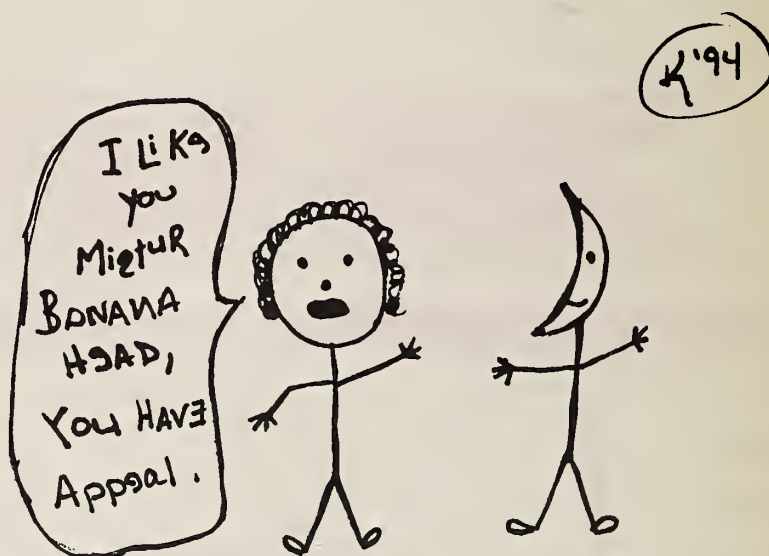
Is caning cruel and inhumane? Perhaps, but it is effective.

Next time Fay visits a foreign country, he can sit on a permanent reminder that, as a visitor, he is not above the law.



By William Kennedy

OPINION



Cartoonist Jamie K. Vasey
 Cracks under the pressure
 of last minute assignments

Conestoga College needs annual report card

As students, we are held accountable for our work.

This of course, is done by assigning grades and comments to what we do at school.

However, Conestoga College, which is supposed to provide us with the service of education (job training), invites little constructive criticism from its students.

For the fees students are paying for their education (especially in light of a 21 per cent tuition hike over the next two years), one would think we would have more say about the services and quality of education we are receiving.

Since January 1992, I have attended Conestoga and only once, during my first semester, do I recall filling out an instructor's evaluation form, which was simply meant to gauge the quality of teaching received in an elective course.

This is ludicrous.

Do student opinions on the quality of education and instruction mean nothing? It seems that way.

If the college took the time for something as simple as preparing a series of evaluation forms which gauge faculty performance, as well as satisfaction with material covered and suggestions on how the program could



By Alan Horn

be improved, then I believe the quality of education at the college could be improved.

Evaluation forms will not only prevent the stagnation of educational services but more importantly, illuminate any blind spots it may have.

My suggestion: Conestoga College should make evaluation forms mandatory for all full-time courses toward the end of each school year.

This shouldn't be surprising. For any person, business or institution to improve, it's necessary to allow a flow of constructive criticism. When such a flow is restrained, so too is quality.

From my observation, the school has taken virtually no initiative to gauge the feedback from students.

And, if this is the case, it would seem the college assumes either it has no need for improvements in any areas, or if it does believe it can be improved in some way, it would be inappropriate to consult the students.

As a student who has invested thousands of dollars and hours into my training at this school, I cannot fathom why my input, or that of any other student, is not desired, and in fact, sought after. The college should encourage students to express their needs and concerns.

"Guns for goods" program may save lives

Solicitor general David Christopherson announced April 12 that Ontario was considering a "guns for goods" program.

The concept, which had its origins in the United States, was suggested to Christopherson by Conservative Leader Mike Harris on the heels of two high-profile Ontario shootings.

The first occurred in Ottawa when Nicholas Battersby, a 27-year-old Englishman working in Canada, was gunned down in a drive-by shooting in front of a trendy restaurant.

The second incident occurred when Georgina Leimonis was gunned down by bandits robbing an up-scale dessert shop in Toronto.

Christopherson said, "When the third party offers up an idea that may help in terms of making our streets safer, I'm going to commit to look at it."

Why does this third party have to commit to get the ball rolling?

Will it be that massive a job that the three parties have to be in-



By John Cinezan

involved?

Is this too much to ask of the NDP?

Probably, but just remember that the Toys 'R' Us chain did it all by themselves in the United States and the response was tremendous. They gave out \$100 vouchers for every firearm that was brought in.

Boston College collected 1,300 guns and Hennepin County in Minnesota collected 6,200 in one week alone. People were swapping their firearms for concert and sports tickets and even grocery store vouchers.

A similar program could be set up in Ontario with or without the government's help. Corporations and private citizens could organize the whole thing, offering a whole

variety of items or services in exchange for guns.

For example, firearms could be traded for Toronto Maple Leafs or Blue Jays tickets, no questions asked. Or how about a Lollapalooza ticket or 50 litres of free gas from Petro Canada or Esso?

The program could run year-round with the firearms turned over to police at police stations. The person turning in the firearm could then choose whatever he or she wanted.

Mike Harris said that if the current government was too slow to act, his Tory party would develop the idea on their own.

"If it takes one gun off the street that might be used to kill somebody, it will have been a success," Harris said.

Harris has the right idea with time being of the essence. The sooner this program gets off the ground, the sooner our streets will become safer.

Letters to the editor

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Letter to the Editor

DSA movie night at the residence: lights, camera, too much action

I decided to attend my first DSA-sponsored activity, and if this is typical of the way these events are run, it is sure to be my last.

The evening was a disaster from the get-go.

Upon arriving at the residence building, canned goods in hand, I was told by the security guard I needed someone living in residence to sign me in. Where was

this information given out? Certainly not from the posters or the DSA rep I spoke to.

After waking my friend who lives there, my guest and I went down to the lounge to wait for the movie to begin. And we waited and waited.

At 7:45, the time the movie was scheduled to begin, they decided to START to set the projector up.

At 8:15, after listening to loud,

crystal-clear music, the movie finally began. But what is this? No sound!

Once the sound was turned on, it was quiet, scratchy, and had no bass. You could hardly hear the vocals. Not that it would have made a difference when, five minutes into the movie, the drunk members of the crowd began to loudly start whining, "When is this going to be over? When is

Mrs. Doubtfire going to start?"

Most if not all of these people were the attending members of the DSA!

As the movie progressed, so did their complaints until my date and I, sitting right next to the speaker, couldn't hear even the loudest parts of the movie.

My guest summed it up for me when she leaned over and said, "And you wonder why I wouldn't

want to attend this school."

I was embarrassed, shocked and truly pissed-off at the way these people reflected the school and treated those of us who were trying to watch the film.

If the DSA wants people to show up for these events, my best suggestion would be for the DSA itself not to show up.

Kenton Kruger

First-year journalism student

Engineering students receive awards of recognition

By Julie Cooper

Seven Conestoga College engineering students were presented with certificates in recognition of academic achievement from the local chapter of the Ontario Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists (OACETT) recently at Doon campus.

The awards were presented April 12 by the Grand Valley chapter to graduating students who have demonstrated a high academic achievement and the ability to work in an engineering team.

The recipients selected by faculty based on criteria set by the OACETT are: Michael Alcock, (civil technologist program); Jim Gerrard, (construction technologist); Gary Luloff, (electrical technician); Ray Hottot, (electronics technician); Grazyna Godlewski, (mechanical technician); Julius Hofer, (mechanical technologist); and Harris Boyiatzis, (electronics technologist).

An eighth award was to be presented on April 13 at the Guelph campus to Dan Laliberte, a welding engineering technician student.

About 80 students attended the

awards presentation which was preceded by an hour-long information session on OACETT given by Lawrence E. Barker, manager of member services for the association.

OACETT is a certifying body in Ontario for engineer technicians and technologists. The non-profit, self-governing professional association has over 20,000 members and is recognized everywhere in Canada except Quebec.

Following the presentation, recipient Jim Gerard said, "I feel it's a good award and I hope they keep it up. It's good for the students to know that they are actually doing something that's worthwhile and getting recognition for it."

Grazyna Godlewski said she was really surprised and happy to receive the OACETT award. "I wasn't expecting it. I think there is a lot of people who are on the same level or better and working very hard." The award was possible, she said, because of "the support and help from a lot of people. It's not only me."

Ann P. Damen, chair of the Grand Valley chapter said the awards are important because "It's setting apart the students who have worked

hard. It's wonderful for the recipients' resumes and certainly is a selling point."

Each chapter of OACETT has the responsibility of determining

whether or not they want to make awards available to the colleges in their area.

Damen, who graduated from Conestoga College in 1989 from

the civil engineering technology program, said up until last year the chapter gave out just three awards but voted to increase the number to eight this year.



This years OACETT winners are (from l): Roy Hottot, Gary Luloff, Julius Hofer, Jim Gerrard, Michael Alcock, Harris Boyiatzis and Grazyna Godlewski. Front row (l to r) Lawrence Barker, manager of member services (OACETT), Angelo Innocente, vice-president of MTE Consultants Inc. Ann P. Damen, Grand Valley Chapter Chair, and Bob Van Slyck, owner of Contract Cadd Technologies Inc.

(Photo by Julie Cooper)

Counsellor's Corner



By Pat Trudeau

We are going to have a Women's Centre. Did you know? As a woman who runs a veritable library of favorite loaners from her office, I feel thrilled. There are special books that have shaped my journey as a woman and I love to share these. As a counsellor, I often recognize that what I want to say to another woman has been articulated most powerfully and fully in books like *Women Who Run With Wolves* by Clarisa Pinkola Estes, *Revolution From Within* by Gloria Steinem and *Wouldn't Need Nothing for My Journey Now* by Maya Angelou.

At Conestoga College we will have a collection of special resources that we can access freely as individuals. As women we can explore and choose resources that are intended to help and inform.

Marg Smith, our Conestoga College Em-

ployment Equity Co-ordinator has been a guiding force in getting funding for this project. A Women's Centre committee has been formed which welcomes suggestions, ideas and help in getting the Centre going. So far no particular place or format have been decided but resources are being ordered and the funding has been secured. This collective dream is coming true and help is still required.

The Women's Centre illustrates for me what people can accomplish together when they dream, plan, ask and work. Since every great project needs a poem I leave you today with one by Marge Piercy:

Two people can keep each other sane, can give support, conviction, love, message, hope, sex. Three people are a delegation, a committee, a wedge. With four you can play bridge and start an organization.

With six you can rent a whole house, eat pie for dinner with no seconds, and hold a fund raising party.

A dozen make a demonstration.

A hundred fill a hall.

A thousand have solidarity and your own newsletter; ten thousand, power and your own paper; a hundred thousand, your own media; ten million, your own country.

If you are interested in helping or would like to be kept informed of the Women's Centre's progress contact any of the Committee members — Marg Smith, Jack Fletcher, Carol Gregory, Marilyn Fischer, Kelly Lewis, Linda Krotz, Colleen Con-nachan or myself.

Best of Luck

to all students during Exam Week.

Have a fun, & safe Summer Holiday!

Good Luck to all Grads!

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DSA awards night a success

By Julie Cooper

It was an evening of recognition for many of the 200 people who attended the 26th annual Doon Student Association (DSA) and Athletic awards banquet at Doon campus on April 14.

College president John Tibbits got the ceremony underway with his opening remarks, commending the DSA for its charity fundraising and successful events organized during the past year.

Jason Turner was presented with the DSA's highest honor, the Award of Excellence, by DSA assistant pub manager Jamie Proudfoot. The award is in recognition and appreciation of an individual's outstanding leadership and involvement in college life.

Turner has been involved on the policy and procedures committee, the faculty appraisal committee and the Conestoga business association.

Accepting the award, he thanked everyone who supported him during his three years at the college, making special mention of "the marketing faculty who have given an incredible amount of support to all of us."

Straying from the schedule, Proudfoot extended his appreciation to the staff of the DSA, Irene da Rosa, Becky Boertien and Jamie Slater, "without who we could not run. They are the behind-the-scenes people who make the DSA run smoothly and help our events."

The first award of the evening was the Allan Logan Memorial Award given to Tammy Quast. This memorial award is given to a student who has shown outstanding caring, compassion, leadership and initiative

at the college.

Following this, Tony Domingos, the DSA's vice-president of communications and Jennifer Kurt, vice-president of administration, handed out 35 Certificates of Appreciation to those members of the college community whose contributions to college life has been significant.

The Award of Distinction was given to members of the college community whose contribution to college life has been outstanding.

The winners include: college radio station CRKZ, the student food bank, second-year management student Shelley Kritz and Catherine Valeriot, a graduating nursing student.

Jack Fletcher, chair of student services, presented the Executive Award of Recognition to the eight members of the DSA executive for their contributions to student life at Doon. Fletcher told the audience, "This was a very interesting year — a challenging year, and I feel this DSA executive group handled the difficulties and challenges in a very mature way. I am proud to be associated with them."

After mentioning the main accomplishments of this year's DSA, such as the student health-insurance plan and executive restructuring, Fletcher said the association has "laid good groundwork for the DSA to come."

Capping off the evening were two 15-minute, year-end videos from the DSA and the student athletic committee (SAC) highlighting events of the 1993-94 school year including the Polar Plunge and trips to the Skydome.



Piping in the awards

MVP award winner Keith Theobald pipes in the 1984-85 men's golf team as they accept being inducted into the Hall of Fame. Theobald's job at the awards banquet was to play the Scottish bag-pipes and lead the Hall of Fame inductees to the stage.

(Photo by Sean McMinn)

Bass fishing course held at Doon campus

By John Cinezan

Some of North America's top bass anglers returned to Conestoga College April 16 and 17 for a series of seminars called Bass Fishing Techniques '94.

The course, offered through the centre for continuous learning, attracted more than 200 anglers from southern Ontario and western New York. All were in search of the quintessential tip that will land them the big one.

Professionals Steve Chaisson, Jimmy Houston, Woo Daves, Randy Romig, Tony Bean and Penny Berryman revealed their bass fishing secrets, as well as relating entertaining stories.

Penny Berryman, three-time U.S. women's champion, started off the course with a seminar on how to get more women into bass fishing. Some of her tips included buying rods and reels that fit a woman's hands and that are easy to use.

She also suggested using plastic

worms instead of live ones and letting women use fun lures such as buzz baits.

Berryman also told the group, which was predominately male, that one-third of America's 64 million anglers are women.

Jimmy Houston, who has his own outdoors show on U.S. sports network ESPN, barely made the seminar after just finishing a tournament the day before in Missouri.

One of Houston's major tips was on the art of casting.

"I don't know of any tournament fisherman who can't improve on their casting."

The secret lies in the underhand cast. Overhand casts, said Houston, take too long and are less accurate than lower-hand ones.

Tony Bean, considered the premier small mouth bass angler in the world, told the group that 98 per cent of bass are found in two per cent of the lake and the key to finding them time and time again is keeping records.

"I can tell you where I fished on April 27, 1987, what the weather was like, what the water temperature was, what fish I caught, where I caught them and what lures I caught them on." Bean said that to be able to catch a bass, you must understand fish mannerisms. Bass, like people, always have a home and will always return to it.

"If I catch a bass out of that pond (behind Doon campus) at one end and put it back in on the other side, within 20 minutes it will be back home."

Unfortunately, there is no secret lure to catch monster bass, the trio said during a question period after the formal seminars.

"Different conditions call for different lures. There are dozens of factors you have to take into consideration when you're picking your lures: water clarity, time of the year, vegetation and wind just to name a few," Houston said.

Houston added he is partial to white-bladed spinner baits.



Tony Bean, who is considered the top small mouth bass angler in the world, signs autographs at Doon Campus April 16.

(Photo by John Cinezan)

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Perspective

Crime On Campus

Awareness is key to keeping personal belongings safe

Story and photo by Colleen Connachan

Lock it or lose it is a motto Bob Gilberts, security supervisor at Doon campus, uses in light of stolen articles such as books, jackets, purses, stereos which have grown hands and walked away over the years.

Although there has been a decrease in thefts around Doon campus over the year, taking precautions with personal property can avoid unfortunate losses, said Gilberts.

According to Gilberts, stolen stereo equipment out of cars on campus has been a popular item for thieves.

But, despite the extra monitoring of parking lots on campus, Gilberts said, "it doesn't matter if you're checking the lots and checking the lots because they just melt into the scenery and when you disappear they come out."

The recent decline in thefts, specifically involving stereo equipment, is partly due to the lack of demand for stereo systems.

Gilberts said he believes thefts can be part of trends which are popular at the time.

"More stereos were being stolen when the market price was high to purchase them."

Jim Brady, Doon campus security guard, said unreported incidents are rare considering people want their belongings returned and untouched.

But, even with reported incidents, Brady said, people tend to be unclear whether their property was lost or stolen.

Apart from personal property vanishing, college equipment is the next likely valuable to go missing.

This year's most serious theft happened with when memory chips were taken from computers.



The most frustrating aspect of this theft, said Gilberts, is that the memory chips are not easily traceable.

He said, to date, there have been no concrete leads on the incident.

And, unfortunately, incidents like these are a case of "what is

lost is gone," according to the college incident insurance plan, which only covers thefts valued at \$10,000 or more.

Kevin Mullan, vice-president of finance at Conestoga College, confirmed that stolen equipment under that amount is irreplaceable, partly because of the short-

age in operating capital.

He said that if 10 thefts equal \$5,000 the items would not be replaced.

Mullan said the probable reason there is a low rate of stolen equipment reports is that, "students respect the fact that if they took the equipment then it wouldn't be

available to them."

Although reports may be low, the equipment that is stolen can put departments in a tight situation when students need those resources for successful completion.

Bob Currie, BRT technician engineer, said when it comes to equipment being stolen the ones who are out of luck are the students.

Over the past seven years, Currie said there have been various items lifted which total about \$300 each. One major piece of equipment stolen was a tripod for a camera.

Such equipment is expensive, but is irreplaceable because of the insurance plan at the college, added Currie.

Other than that, Currie said, "We've been pretty lucky this year," considering all the valuable equipment.

Carelessness is partly to blame for stolen property at the college, said Gilberts.

He explained a major loss involving a TV monitor stolen this year.

"It is not that hard for people to steal, unless property is secured."

However, Gilberts said he believes there are people who will steal if they are determined enough and those are the ones that will ignore locks and chains.

But, he said there are people who are borderline thieves, who are more likely to be discouraged when facing a barrier.

The best advice Gilberts has for students, staff and faculty at the college is prevention.

"If you're not part of the solution than you're part of the problem. Part of the solution is prevention."

"When there is a wide open opportunity, they won't think twice about taking your valuables."

Crime doesn't pay, at least at Doon campus

By Jason Schneider

Like any highly-populated organization, Conestoga College's Doon campus regularly suffers from petty thefts and fraud.

While some students may find security tighter than they would like, a relaxed attitude among students in regard to their belongings, may make them a target for robbery.

In fact, the college itself has learned the hard way that having open access to equipment and facilities can result in problems with thieves and vandals.

Computers, an expensive and vital part of the campus, are naturally among the biggest security concerns.

Access to several labs was limited after thefts occurred on Oct. 22 and Nov. 4, 1993 from room 2A19.

Four pieces of RAM (random access memory) components, totalling \$400, were taken, giving security staff reason to clamp

down on scheduled computer time.

Don Chester, Conestoga's manager of computer services said at the time, "we're taking steps from a security perspective to make sure it doesn't happen again."

The other main on-campus security concern is parking.

Since a majority of students drive to school each day, many go to great lengths to avoid paying the mandatory parking fees with varying degrees of success.

After discovering many fraudulent parking decals last year,

Doon security implemented its policy of towing the vehicle in violation.

The owner is then responsible for the release fee for the vehicle and if the infraction is repeated, expulsion from the school could result.

"One reason for putting the new practice in place is because of the number of abuses," said John MacKenzie, vice-president of human resources.

Even refusing to pay parking tickets can land students in trouble on campus. Recently, a student responsible for 17 unpaid fines had his car towed after he ignored

warnings from security staff.

"We gave him a number of tickets under one set of plates, and Bob Gilberts (security chief) spotted him the next day changing plates," said security officer Judy Ethridge.

However, compared to the area's other post-secondary institutions, the University of Waterloo and Wilfrid Laurier University, run-ins between security and students are few and far between at Doon.

According to Peter Jorg, WLU's security supervisor, his office receives an average of 10 calls per

week, ranging from minor disturbances to break-and-enters and missing persons.

Obviously, the intense social environment and the presence of alcohol on campus contributes to more crime here than at Conestoga.

The same can be said at UW, as confrontations at campus bars occur almost nightly, says security head Al McKenzie.

On March 18, two guards were charged with assault after they forcibly removed two students from Federation Hall. One victim suffered a broken wrist and the other received cuts to his mouth and was knocked unconscious.

With the opening of Conestoga's first licensed establishment, the sports bar at the Kenneth E. Hunter recreation centre (scheduled this summer) students should be warned that security staff will be taking extra precautions to prevent incidents.

Stratford Campus

Career course prepares students

By William Kennedy

Employment preparation is a program for people who need a career change, said Ruth MacIntyre, teacher of the eight-week program at Stratford. Dawn Dennis, a student in the program calls it a career identification course. The program investigates work in regard to interests, and then students are given information-gathering, research and investigation assignments, relating to the chosen work or career. Dennis, who is in the sixth week

of the program, said it is an excellent program with an excellent teacher. "Ruth gets people motivated and gets the concepts across." Dennis operates a small business, as a partner in St. Jacob's Foods, but said she is looking for a change. "Some students are here on Workers Compensation, and some need direction in their life," MacIntyre said. "They came out of high school, and ended up in areas they are not suited for." Some just wandered, curious,

into the college, said MacIntyre. "Some were already enrolled in Conestoga College programs and suddenly realized they were not in an area they should be." Some of MacIntyre's successes include students who have chosen college programs and "are well on their way." "It's a matter of finding the appropriate area for each individual, and then developing those skills." The employment preparation program will be relocated to the college's Youngs Street location in July 1994.



Dawn Dennis is a student in the employment preparation program at Conestoga's Stratford campus. (Photo by William Kennedy)

Literacy program has its own unique curriculum

By William Kennedy

The literacy program at Stratford campus started eight years ago with one staff member working just six hours a week. The program, which will be consolidated with Conestoga College's School of Health Sciences building on Youngs Street, Stratford, in July, now has about 300 students a year. There are 12 full-and part-time staff members, said Marilyn Haslam, co-ordinator of Stratford campus's Ontario basic skills and literacy programs. The literacy program also has satellites in Listowel, Wingham, Clinton, Goderich, Brussels and Exeter, and every Wednesday for five years, Stratford campus has offered the program at the Stratford Jail. There is no fee for students, and

all required books are provided free of charge. Haslam said the teaching is intensive, carried out in small groups or individual sessions. Students are admitted to the program on reference from the community and from the Canada Employment Centre and the Workers Compensation Board. "For the first time in history we have a waiting list, which is unfortunate." The literacy program's curriculum is unique, Haslam said. "The students set their own goals." The literacy program covers reading, writing and mathematics, up to the Grade 12 level. With changes in the workplace, employers are requiring more out of their workers in terms of the ability to read and write. "There's a lot of scared people," Haslam said.

Program offers students a future

By William Kennedy

Futures, a program designed to help 16- to 24-year-olds who are out of school and out of work, is one of the programs being relocated to Conestoga College's Youngs Street Campus in Stratford. Though not covered under Ontario Basic Skills, the Futures program is funded by the provincial government. Students are paid a minimum wage, for up to 40 hours a week on a 12-week placement, said Gillian Oldfield, acting co-ordinator and facilitator for the Stratford campus Futures program. Oldfield, who has been with Futures on and off for four years, said the basic function of Futures is its work as a support agency for people with less than a Grade 12

education, and little job experience. Those who have Grade 12 go straight into work-experience training, she said. The Futures program covers life skills, Oldfield said. The variety of topics include "communication skills — listening, interviews, telephone skills — and personal issues like sexuality." First aid training is also available. The ultimate goal of Futures, she said, is to ensure the student is "prepared for job placement." Futures offers a 16-week pre-employment program (PEP). Assessment determines where the student should look for work, and the student prepares a job list. The last month of the program is spent looking for work. "We find out their strong assets," Oldfield said.



Conestoga College's Water Street campus in Stratford will be vacated in July. The building has been in use by Conestoga since 1973. (Photo by William Kennedy)

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Small business program key to success

By Laura Nahls

More than 80 per cent of small businesses fail within the first three years.

But Susan Bidgood, a student in the small business program, is determined not to allow her new business to become part of this depressing statistic.

Bidgood said that prior to enrolling in the program in September 1993, she had no idea the degree of work that would be involved in starting a small business.

"So many small businesses fail because of poor planning. I feel I am totally prepared now, and aware of what I'm up against."

Bidgood was employed in the travel industry in Toronto for 20 years. When she lost her job in 1992, she and husband Gary moved to Stratford and opened a bed and breakfast establishment in their home.

The beautiful three-story house was built in 1905 and boasts unspoiled natural woodwork, hardwood floors, stained glass and lead windows.

There are about 400 hundred bed and breakfast establishments in the

Stratford area but Bidgood said during the Stratford Festival season she has no problem renting the rooms.

"In the off-season it slows right down, but I'll have more time to devote to my new enterprise."

Bidgood said the small business program has helped her make positive decisions regarding the bed and breakfast but her primary motivation for enrolling in the program was to start her own travel marketing representation company. She and her partner Virginia registered TargetMark in February.

"Essentially, we represent overseas companies here in Ontario. We'll go to travel agencies and consumers and recommend that this is a good place for them to go. If a travel agency wanted to know more about the area, it is us they will contact."

Bidgood said there are a few similar companies in Toronto but the majority are located in the United States.

"They take care of Canada as well but we find they speak to Canadians as if they were Americans. It's important for Canadians to have representation in their own mar-

ket."

Bidgood said one of the highlights of the program was the weekly guest speakers. "We got to know first-hand what to expect in the small business market."

Program co-ordinator, Ian Matthew, said the two-hour lectures were well received by the students. The speakers ranged from bankers and insurance agents, to market researchers and local business people.

"There is no course you can take that tells you what kind of insurance you should get for your business. Therefore it's important to get an expert to tell the students all the things they should consider."

Matthew said he enjoys the diversity in the class.

"The students range in age from 21 to 55. Some of the students want to learn how to go into business for themselves and others are already in business and come to the program looking for ways to improve."

Bidgood praised the program and said it helped her focus on her goal. She has no intention of becoming just another small business statistic.



Natural wood trim highlights the sitting room of small business student, Susan Bidgood's bed and breakfast in Stratford. (Photo by Laura Nahls)



Snap in our cafeteria

Jay Reitzel, lead singer of Snap In Our Souls, plays to an enthusiastic crowd during the nooner on April 12. The band also played in the DSA's Localpalooza last month.

(Photo by Julie Cooper)

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Monday, May 2

CANADIAN AUTHORS ASSOCIATION

Keith Slater of the University of Guelph discusses Writing About Science and Technology.
This will take place in the KPL Main Library at 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 4

WILLS AND ESTATE PLANNING

Micheal D. Lannan discusses the legalities of wills; the impact of marriage and divorce; Powers of Attorney; dying without a will and wills as part of estate planning.
This will take place at the KPL in Forest Heights at 7:15 p.m.
Please register by calling 743-0644.

Shadowlands is not for escapists

By Wladimir Schweigert

Shadowlands proves once again, that reality is far more gripping — and frightful — than fantasy.

The film demonstrates that reality is perhaps uglier, and more painful, but no less beautiful than the most enchanting intellectual creation.

This magnificent screen adaptation of a true story by screenwriter William Nicholson, not only tells of the joys and sorrows of two people who fall in love, it reaches down the audience's throats, grips their hearts and tears at their guts. It's a relentless drama which reminds protagonists and viewers alike that it requires courage to live fully.

This film, in postulating such concepts as the "the gift of suffering", "happiness that must end", "pain that has its purpose in a happiness to come," raises questions and engages the audience.

It is a story for those who, amid the numbness of modern, electronic gadgets, still wonder, search and marvel; a film for those who haven't died the cynic's death or succumbed to despair. It's a por-



(l-r) Debra Winger, Edward Hardwicke and Anthony Hopkins in a scene from Shadowlands.

trayal of life for the brave of heart.

Anthony Hopkins brilliantly portrays Clive Staples (Jack) Lewis, the celebrated British author as an academic bachelor who, in his intellectual realm, insulates himself from the world.

Debra Winger, as Joy Gresham, succeeds in bringing a good dose of irreverent American sprightliness

to stiff Oxford society. Jack can't resist it and, having always won his intellectual battles, lives, rejoices, loses and experiences pain.

He had rejoiced in intellectual love. He now experiences it in the flesh.

It should come as no surprise that Richard Attenborough, the Academy Award-winning director of

Gandhi, has produced and directed this film.

The superb cinematography was achieved by director of photography Roger Pratt, who worked on The Fisher King, among others.

The film is playing at the Princess Cinema, 6 Princess St. W., Waterloo. The next scheduled screening is June 12 at 9 p.m.

Conestoga's nooners tune out for summer

By Sheilagh McDonald

Students were treated to the final nooner of the season when Conestoga's own Snap In Our Souls took to the stage April 12.

The nooner completed the list of a dozen or so comedians and musicians who appeared on the college stage.

The first nooner in the new year featured comic Dave Hook (Jan. 4).

The performance of the Rhinos was one nooner students remembered. The Kitchener band, whose video, A Fantastic Place To Be, is played regularly on Much Music, played a set in the main cafeteria

Feb. 1.

"They were excellent," said first-year early childhood education student Jennifer Abbott. "It was certainly one of the better nooners the DSA has put on."

Abbott, along with many others, felt the variety of nooner entertainment was good.

"I watched some of the comedians and the Valentine's Day auction. It was nice to have something different each time," she said.

The auction was put on by the DSA to raise funds for the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Don Reese was the comedian students recalled most. Perhaps this is

due to his appearance. He stands over six feet tall with not a hair on his head.

The touring comedian, who entertained a full crowd in Doon's main cafeteria Feb. 8, was the only performer to bring an opening act with him. Reese went on stage after fellow comedian Carl Anthony.

"He was my favorite," said first-year marketing student Joanne Stokes.

"I laughed so hard at some of his stuff, harder than I have for some of those professional comedians on television."

Another event students remembered fondly, though it wasn't a

nooner, was the appearance of Blue Rodeo with Big Sugar on Jan. 27.

Hundreds of Conestoga students turned out at Bingeman Park in Kitchener to watch the band at the show, partly-sponsored by the DSA.

Other '94 nooners featured ventriloquist John Pattison and his dummy Garloo (March 10), the Arrogant Worms (March 15), Blue Synergy (March 30), comedian Mark Farrell (April 7), and a Localpalooza show with performers from the college.

The event featured the duo Jeff Tanner and Doug Boertien, along with solo drummer Jason Higgins.

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